

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

Listing of the Claims

1. (Previously Presented) A plurality of overlapping snack pieces comprising:
 - a. concave-curved snack pieces each having a surface including random surface features extending from said surface;
 - b. wherein said plurality of overlapping snack pieces have a volumetric bulk density of greater than about 8.0×10^{-5} g/mm³.
2. (Original) A plurality of overlapping snack pieces according to claim 1, wherein said plurality of overlapping snack pieces are in a nested arrangement.
3. (Original) A plurality of overlapping snack pieces according to claim 1, wherein said volumetric bulk density is from about 8.0×10^{-5} g/mm³ to about 80×10^{-5} g/mm³.
4. (Canceled).
5. (Previously Presented) A plurality of overlapping snack pieces according to claim 1, wherein each of said snack pieces has a bowl-shaped curvature.
6. (Previously Presented) A plurality of overlapping snack pieces according to claim 1, wherein said snack pieces each comprise a segment of a sphere cap.
7. (Original) A plurality of overlapping snack pieces according to claim 5, wherein said snack piece has a radius of curvature from about 5 mm to about 500 mm.
8. (Original) A plurality of overlapping snack pieces according to claim 1, wherein said snack piece has a modulus of elasticity from about 0.1 g/mm² to about 6.0 g/mm².
9. (Original) A plurality of overlapping snack pieces according to claim 2, wherein said snack piece having a maximum thickness from about 2.5 mm to about 5.5 mm.
10. (Previously Presented) A plurality of overlapping snack pieces according to claim 1, wherein each said snack piece contains a lipid content from about 18% to about 40%.
11. (Previously Presented) A plurality of overlapping snack pieces according to claim 1, wherein each said snack piece has a density from about 1.0×10^{-4} g/mm³ to about 17×10^{-4} g/mm³.

12. (Original) A plurality of overlapping snack pieces according to claim 1, wherein each of said snack pieces in said plurality of overlapping snack pieces are consistent in size and shape.
13. (Previously Presented) A plurality of overlapping snack pieces according to claim 1, wherein said snack pieces are contained in a package.
14. (Previously Presented) A plurality of overlapping snack pieces according to claim 13, wherein said plurality of overlapping snack pieces is placed in a package, said package having a packed bulk density from about 10×10^{-5} g/mm³ to about 35×10^{-5} g/mm³.
15. (Previously Presented) A plurality of overlapping snack pieces comprising:
 - a. non-planar snack pieces each having a concave curvature;
 - b. wherein said plurality of overlapping snack pieces have a volumetric bulk density of greater than about 8.0×10^{-5} g/mm³.
16. (Previously Presented) A plurality of overlapping snack pieces according to claim 15, wherein each of said snack pieces has a bowl-shaped curvature.
17. (Previously Presented) A plurality of overlapping snack pieces according to claim 15, wherein each of said snack pieces comprises a segment from a sphere cap.
18. (Previously Presented) A plurality of overlapping snack pieces according to claim 15, wherein said volumetric bulk density is from about 8.0×10^{-5} g/mm³ to about 80×10^{-5} g/mm³.
19. (Previously Presented) A plurality of overlapping snack pieces according to claim 15, wherein each of said snack pieces has a lipid content ranging from about 18% to about 40%.
20. (Previously Presented) A plurality of overlapping snack pieces according to claim 15, wherein said plurality of overlapping snack pieces is placed in a package, said package having a packed bulk density from about 10×10^{-5} g/mm³ to about 35×10^{-5} g/mm³.
21. (Previously Presented) A plurality of overlapping snack pieces comprising:
 - a. non-planar snack pieces that are concave-curved having a maximum thickness greater than about 2.5 mm;
 - b. wherein said plurality of overlapping snack pieces have a volumetric bulk density of greater than about 8.0×10^{-5} g/mm³.

22. (Previously Presented) A plurality of overlapping snack pieces according to claim 21, wherein said each of said snack pieces has a lipid content ranging from about 18% to about 40%.
23. (Previously Presented) A plurality of overlapping snack pieces comprising:
 - a. non-planar snack pieces each having a concave curvature;
 - b. wherein said plurality of overlapping snack pieces is placed in a package, said package having a packed volumetric bulk density ranging from about 10×10^{-5} g/mm³ to about 35×10^{-5} g/mm³.
- 24 - 27 (Canceled).
28. (Previously Presented) A plurality of overlapping snack pieces comprising:
 - a. concave-curved snack pieces each having a lipid content of less than about 23% by weight of the snack piece;
 - b. wherein said plurality of overlapping snack pieces have a volumetric bulk density from about 8.0×10^{-5} g/mm³ to about 80×10^{-5} g/mm³.
29. (Previously Presented) A plurality of overlapping snack pieces according to claim 28, wherein said plurality of overlapping snack pieces is placed in a package, said package having a packed volumetric bulk density from about 10×10^{-5} g/mm³ to about 35×10^{-5} g/mm³.
30. (Canceled).
31. (New) A plurality of overlapping snack pieces comprising:
 - c. non-planar snack pieces each having a surface including random surface features extending from said surface;
 - d. wherein said plurality of overlapping snack pieces have a volumetric bulk density of from about 25×10^{-5} g/mm³ to about 60×10^{-5} g/mm³.
32. (New) A plurality of overlapping snack pieces according to Claim 31, wherein said overlapping snack pieces have a volumetric bulk density of from about 35×10^{-5} g/mm³ to about 60×10^{-5} g/mm³.
33. (New) A package comprising a plurality of overlapping snack pieces comprising:
 - a. non-planar snack pieces each having a surface including random surface features extending from said surface;
 - b. wherein said plurality of overlapping snack pieces have a volumetric bulk density of from about 25×10^{-5} g/mm³ to about 60×10^{-5} g/mm³;

wherein said package has a packed volumetric bulk density from about 14×10^{-5} g/mm³ to about 35×10^{-5} g/mm³.

34. (New) The package according to Claim 33, wherein said plurality of overlapping snack pieces have a volumetric bulk density of from about 35×10^{-5} g/mm³ to about 60×10^{-5} g/mm³; and said package has a packed volumetric bulk density from about 18×10^{-5} g/mm³ to about 35×10^{-5} g/mm³.